US Intelligence and Terrorism: "The War on Truth—9/11, Disinformation, and Terrorism" (2005)

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc)

Uploaded by Our Hidden History (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbfzszfxZr4qmeZjZ_3R_Pw) on Sat Jun 08 2019.

July 23, 2005 | Nafeez Mosaddeq Ahmed talked about his book The War on Truth: 9/11, Disinformation, and the Anatomy of Terrorism, published by Olive Branch Press. In the book he outlines the relationship between the West and radical Muslim groups such as the Mujahideen in Afghanistan, the Armed Islamic Group (GIA) in Algeria, and the Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA) in Serbia. Mr. Ahmed says that these groups, parts of which are now affiliated with Al Qaeda, were used by the United States and Britain to further Western political and economic goals. He argues that a more complete investigation of this relationship is necessary to understand what happened on 9/11. Mr. Ahmed also talks about the 1993 World Trade Center bombing and the 1996 British attempt to assassinate Libya's Muammar Gaddafi in this light. After his presentation he responded to questions from members of the audience. This talk, held at American University in Washington, D.C., was part of an event organized by the D.C. Emergency Truth Convergence.

For more related content, please visit:
http://ourhiddenhistory.org/
https://archive.org/details/@altviewstv-fanclub

00:00:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc)

through nafeez Mossadegh ahmed study of the relationship between the west and radical muslim groups like the Mujahideen in Afghanistan the armed Islamic group in Algeria and the Kosovo Liberation Army in Serbia he spoke about it recently at American University in Washington DC for about an hour and a half [Applause] thank you very much for the warm welcome I also want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to c-span and c-span book TV for being here in covering this event we're bringing this event to you from American University where we are in Washington DC we're calling it beyond Downing Street it's a town hall meeting featuring the author nafisa Achmed who is here with us from London England he'll be talking about his new book which just been released called the war on truth 9/11 disinformation and the anatomy of terrorism today is the third anniversary of the Downing Street memo the memo which documents the fact that this administration had a plan to take us to war and that they fixed the intelligence around the policy to go to war in Iraq the after Street down excuse me the after Downing Street coalition is responsible for organizing over 350 town hall meetings across the country today in commemoration of the third anniversary of the Downing Street memo yesterday was the one-year anniversary of the release of the 9/11 report and yesterday on Capitol Hill for the first

00:02:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=121s)

yesterday on Capitol Hill for the first time the 9/11 report was scrutinized by panelists in an all-day briefing held by representative Cynthia McKinney it was annexed ORAC we had family members such as Lori van Owen and Mindy Kleinberg come forward and talk about their appraisal of that report that very flawed report we had authors scholars researchers also provide briefings to members of Congress or their staff and the press and in the immediate independent media who were there for the event the town hall meeting here featuring the feasts is going to bridge the gap connect the dots between 9/11 and the Iraq war we're going to open the lens a little bit wider here to examine the pretext that led to the Afghan war to the Iraq war and see

the pattern of lies and deceptions that emanate from this administration and from this government we have some panelists that will be introduced later on after 40 minute presentation by nafisa met so now I'll introduce nafeez nafeez muss deck ahmed is executive director of the institute for policy research and development in Brighton England and is the best-selling author of the war on freedom how and why America was attacked September 11 2001 this book won him the Naples prize which is Italy's most prestigious literary award his work has been praised by the eminent scholar and historian gore Vidal his latest book previous to the current one he'll be discussing today is behind the war on terror Western secret strategy and the struggle for Iraq the feast is a doctoral candidate to the University of Sussex so I present you

00:04:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=240s)

University of Sussex so I present you the feasts Othman thank you it's an honor to be here to be talking in front of you and to be talking about such an important issue the connection between 9/11 deception and the wars that are going on today in our name so I'll be talking about the research that I've done in my new book the warm truth and trying to explain to you some of the very important issues that I've come across that really call into question the conventional story of what happened on 9/11 and in turn of course call into question this entire war on terror that is now being conducted in our name I'll begin with a statement that I found I was doing research into the background of 9/11 and terrorism and I found a book by a well-known Swiss TV journalist by the name of Richard lariviere called dollars for terror one thing struck me coming is a very good book but one statement struck me he interviewed a CIA analyst anonymously who said to him regarding the whole policy towards al-qaeda and Islam he said quote the policy of guiding the evolution of Islam and of helping them against our adversaries worked marvelously well in Afghanistan against the Red Army the same doctrines can still be used to destabilize what remains of Russian power and especially to counter the Chinese influence in Central Asia now when I read this I was quite shocked because really what it seemed to be saying was that there was there was some kind of strategic thinking when we got involved with the Mujahideen in Afghanistan to repel the Soviet Union there was some kind of thinking that maybe we could actually use these guys in a wider context even

00:06:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=360s)

use these guys in a wider context even if it wasn't well thought out there was something that struck me is very very significant then I thought how do we find out whether this is true so what I set out to do I said what's up what are these key readings I can look out to see whether this is true you know Russian power and Chinese power so we can look at Eastern Europe the Balkans Center Asia and Asia that's what I did and I discovered to my great surprise that there was a lot of disturbing evidence that the United States and not just the United States Britain and various Western European powers as well had been to this day connecting themselves in some way or other with the Mujahideen with al-qaida in various different regions for various different interests I looked for al-qaeda in the Balkans in North Africa in the Asia Pacific in the Caucasus and in the Middle East and I would just want to try and give you a very brief breakdown of some of the kind of interesting pieces of evidence I found for this connection the most prominent one I think to my mind is the Balkans we are told that we disconnected ourselves from the Mujahideen completely when the Soviet Union collapsed this is just not true it's well-documented now in the first Bosnian conflict between 1992 and 94 the Pentagon created an air funnel they flew in Mujahideen connected to Osama bin Laden and al-qaeda for many different parts of the world Central Asia the Middle East and flew them in they landed in Bosnia in various places and they used them to try and manipulate the Bosnian conflict in a certain direction whatever one may think of our motive for getting involved in the Bosnian conflict whether it was humanitarian or not is besides the point in doing so we connected ourselves with

00:08:03 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=483s)

in doing so we connected ourselves with people who are connected to terrorism and subsequently as a result of that Bosnia has been described as a safe haven for terrorists in Europe a launching pad for European terrorist operations just to give you an idea of the documentation that is available this was

confirmed this the existence of this lays on between the United States and Britain and the Mujahideen one of the most prominent sources was the Dutch report into what happened at zebra Nisha the official inquiry that happened a few years ago and that was based on Dutch intelligence sources but it's been confirmed by many other sources there are many reports in in British newspapers the London Spectator for example use of bird and ski the congressional director the director of the Congressional Task Force on terrorism has talked about this many other many other people have talked about it and we didn't just stop then in the Kosovo conflict once again we connected ourselves with the KLA now the KLA it was known in 1998 the State Department has listed the KLA as a terrorist group and I have an improper here from Ralph mooch who was assistant director of interposed criminal intelligence Directorate and he testified before Congress in December 2000 though the KLA is suspected to be a terrorist organization it was financing its operations with money from the international heroin trade and loans from Islamic countries and individuals among them besought Osama bin Laden he also confirmed that at least one elite KLA unit during the Kosovo conflict was arranged by Osama bin Laden and was headed by one of his top military commanders there are many other reports to this effect than the public record including sources from in Bosnia itself

00:10:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=602s)

including sources from in Bosnia itself our bein in intelligence for example has confirmed that there is a huge presence of Mujahideen in the region connected to the KLA which is now of course become the NLA and is involved in the conflict in Macedonia and what did we do with the KLA before the war in Kosovo as we know as many reports confirm we connected ourselves with the Calais quite directly we were training them we had training camps we provided manuals who provided a certain degree of military assistance and unfortunately we have good reason to believe that these people were often Mujahideen there was interpenetration of people operatives between al-qaeda and the KLA there was interpenetration of finances interpenetration of military assistance and this had a direct impact on our national security this involvement in the Balkans I will quote again use of BER Dansky who talked about he says the role of the Albanian mafia which is tightly connected to the KLA is laundering money providing technology safe houses and other support to terrorists within this country this isn't to say that the Albanians themselves would carry out the actual terrorist operations but there are sleeper agents within these Albanian networks and they can rely upon those networks to provide them with support a serious investigation of the Albanian mob in this country isn't going to happen because they're our boys they're protected in other words the terrorists are protected now one of the things I'd also did in relation to that was to try and draw connections between before before going on to the other regions I tried to draw connections between these kind of lions and terrorist attacks so I

00:12:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=722s)

kind of lions and terrorist attacks so I looked at the 1993 World Trade Center bombing and I also looked at the 1998 US embassy bombings and again I found disturbing reason to believe that this kind of connection had a direct impact in undermining our ability or willingness to deal with these terrorists who are quite directly involved with operations on US soil just to give you an idea the mastermind of the first World Trade Center bombing in 1993 Sheikh Omar Abdul Rahman kind of commonly known as the blind Sheikh this guy was basically obviously he was and what he was involved deeply in the 1993 World Trade Center bombing he was the guy who headed the the main al-qaeda cell in the United States that carried this out what I discovered was that the blind Sheikh was also deeply involved in recruiting Mujahideen not just during the war in Afghanistan but also for the Bosnian conflict his refugees al-kifah refugee center which was based in New York Brooklyn was originally in with prior to the 1990s was was funneling finances and recruiting people to go and fight with the CIA in the wards in the war in Afghanistan to repel Soviet occupation occupation many reports now confirm that in 1993 it switched its operations to Bosnia also another organization connected to the blind shape called the third-world relief agency according to many reports including a report by the the Senate Republican party committee I believe documented that this organization connected to the blind Sheikh was also involved in funneling money to the Mujahideen in Bosnia and also recruiting more further Mujahideen to go in get

00:14:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=842s)

more further Mujahideen to go in get involved in that conflict so there was a very direct connection here so what was the response to the blind Sheikh I mean was there kind of was or did they know about his terrorist activities in relation to the World Trade Center bombing well we know for a fact that the FBI had a great deal of information and what was being planned they had number of informants who had infiltrated the cell that the blank Sheikh headed excuse me one of these informants his name was Ahmad Ahmad Ali Saleh Salim I believe and this guy was working for the FBI as an informant and he was constantly wired the FBI was able to listen to everything that was going on within these cells and this guy also kept very important records he was recording of his own accord without the FBI even knowing many of these conversations he was passing information to the FBI and subsequently in the in the aftermath of those of those bombings when they when we found the these recordings that he had made and transcripts were made of these recordings and they were filed in the court and so on and so forth what we discovered was that he was actually integrally involved in the planning for the World Trade Center bombing he was suggesting ways of of carrying out the attacks he was providing suggestions as to a safe houses warehouses he even had a conversation with an FBI supervisor where he complains that look FBI was the work was involved in constructing the bomb and we messed up and what are we going to do about this and subsequently we have also discovered the New York Times reported there was it's well known

00:16:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=961s)

Times reported there was it's well known on one of the important conversations he also had which indicates the extent of the provide precise advanced warning of that seems have been available to authorities he complained that we had a plan the FBI had hatched a plan to thwart the bombing and the plan was this have the bombs set up inside the World Trade Center replaced the bomb with a fake phony powder that won't work and when it doesn't go off then we can move in and we can capture these guys now what happened according to the New York Times is that this was considered to be a bit too kind of like unrealistic you know it was no need to do this let's do something else so they scrapped that plan but nothing was done to replace this plan and so the bomb went off now the interesting thing is I mean I don't know precisely why I'm not going to offer a theory of this very damning failure but what I can say is that we know for a fact that the blind Sheikh long after the Cold War up to at least 1993 was protected when that when the rabbi meir kahane the extremist rabbi was shot and killed by a member of them the blind sheiks cell and the FBI wanted to investigate they were blocked and The Village Voice The Village Voice had a report where they quoted an FBI supervisor saying that I'm very upset because I'm not able to win we haven't been able to investigate this guy it seems like he's been protected by the State Department by the I NS by a CIA this he is he's one of our guys and we're not allowed to look into this and when they finally actually did investigate they didn't the the investigation was didn't go very far

00:18:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=1081s)

investigation was didn't go very far what they did discover was boxes huge boxes in his room and these were only opened after the bombings occurred and these these boxes contain detailed plans for what was about to occur photographs of the World Trade Center inflammatory statements about attacking Americans in attacking the West and so on and so forth details of the of the individuals were members of the cell why wasn't this box open before the bombings there was just no interest so that pattern now is the same pattern I would argue that occurred on 9/11 and it occurred in the 1998 US embassy bombings but before going into that we'll have to go a bit more forward in history in terms of the connections that we had did we have connections at the Indian Ocean for example during 1998 and during 90 9/11 that may have in some way compromised our willingness to look at these people yes we did to this day we have connections to states which are harboring al-qaeda I'll give you some examples I mean North Africa isn't as a favor for me because I'm personally interested in the region I've researched the before in a professional capacity and I like talking about the example of Algeria now in Syria is a state where there is a huge conflict civil conflict going on between a secular government and a supposedly Islamic opposition this Islamic opposition consists of a

number of groups some of them marginally the jism at been politically orientated and many of them are clearly terrorist groups one of the most prominent is called the GI a the armed Islamic group and in this group we know for certain is connected to al-qaeda there's been a number of reports I mean the Center for Defense Information in Washington DC has

00:20:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=1200s)

Defense Information in Washington DC has a whole lot of information on this excuse me it's very well known unfortunately there is information to believe that the same dia which is connected to al-qaeda is also simultaneously infiltrated and penetrated by our Geryon secret services this was revealed early loss early early in in the 20th century in the 1990s and throughout the 1990s in the British press and the French press algerian secret service services defectors came out and they said that we have information we have read secret documents we have been involved in operations which are basically hatched by Audion military intelligence to manipulate and penetrate the DIA why are we doing this because we are fighting a war and to to legitimize our policy the militarization of our of our of our domestic policy and state repression we have to have this enemy we have to escalate the conflict and how much do do do to the United States and the West and Britain know about this policy because we are very friendly to our jira we have very close financial ties to this regime we are constantly giving financial aid to the regime very heavy investments there in terms of oil and gas we are conducting numerous coextensive military programs with the regime which I could go into into detail too but I won't do that here so how much do we know well there were foreign office documents that were revealed a few years ago in a court trial in the UK about an Algerian guy who was supposed to be a terrorist now 18 months late the Foreign Office finally produced documents and they were very reluctant and as a result of this Jack Straw Robin cook and I think I'm another official in the government signed Public Interest

00:22:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=1320s)

the government signed Public Interest immunity certificates because they were worried about what this would mean this kind of revelation what is these documents show that the United States and Britain and Europe were well aware of this policy for years and that they were very worried about this kind of that the fact that they knew about this coming to light and just to give you an idea of what some of these documents say one of the documents said pretty clearly that you know an mi6 guy is saying we mean we believe that the gie has been is being manipulated by our own secret services we believe that they are Germans he will stop at absolutely nothing and pursue of their domestic objectives and interestingly a US intelligence report referred to the 1995 Paris bombings that was blamed on the GI a and was justified a huge counter-terrorist offensive with an Algeria that was backed by the United States by Britain by France and it said that we there is no evidence to connect the Algerian militants to 1995 Paris bombings on the contrary we have evidence to believe that at least one of the bombs was planned planted and the operation was directed by the Algerian military so we know and interestingly one of the documents also says from a Whitehall document says that if this information comes out that we are aware of this we could be subjected to a lot of heavy questioning from journalists from NGOs we cannot afford let this information come out so clearly there is an element of complicity here because we are aiding and abetting an al-qaeda terrorist group by financing its state sponsor that is unfortunately what we are doing now it's clear that there are a number of interests here we have interest in oil and gas in Algeria who seemed to be cementing that relationship and the same passim goes

00:24:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=1442s)

relationship and the same passim goes continues to continues in many other regions and other prominent example is the Philippines very relevant in relation to 9/11 because excuse me Abu Sayyaf which is the domestic terrorist group there the major Islamist terrorist group is heavily connected to al-qaeda and was also connected to 911 because Khalid Sheikh Mohammed who is the operational mastermind of 9/11 apparently it was a was a leading member of Abu Sayyaf then the main plot on 9/11 was inspired was a hatched in 1995 by Abu Sayyaf it was a called Project Bojinka it was a plan he had two dimensions one

dimension was to hide was to was to take him approximately 11 civilian planes and blow them up over the Pacific Ocean the other dimension I believe was a the hijack planes within the United States and to fly them against key iconic structures including the World Trade Center tower which was named the Sears Tower in Chicago the Pentagon the CIA headquarters and many other structures now is there reason to believe that there is a similar phenomenon with the Abu Sayyaf well a very prominent Philippine politician by the name of senator senator Pendleton and this is just to give you one inch of the evidence that is available he spoke out in in to the Philippine Senate he gave a public address and he said I have evidence I have sources telling me that the Philippine military intelligence has been coddling and controlling and manipulating the Abu Sayyaf in order again to lid to my's the concert legitimize the militarization of domestic policy to to exacerbate the conflict he cited he named philippine officials who are working at that time and said we need to

00:26:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=1561s)

working at that time and said we need to investigate these people nothing was done this has been corroborated by numerous reports conducted by Philippine journalists they've cited other people in the Philippine military who confirmed the same and so on and so forth now what is our relationship to the Philippine regime again it's a very very close relationship here we are working on the ground with the Philippines and the United States for example has troops working side-by-side with Philippine troops to the point that one u.s. major made a comment that we are PIAT you know we have a co director in a co general for every operation there is great assistance particular specific for the counter-terrorist measures with the Philippine military is undertaking so again the question remains it has been going on for years how long has this been going on for what do we know about it we are clearly sponsoring indirectly through the state an al Qaeda group in order to secure certain interest in this region again we can go on I want to go back to North Africa because this is a favor of mine coming from the UK I want to talk about Libya and this just gives you a very disturbing example of how far this kind of policy can go this was a scandal in the British press about again a few years ago a guy by the name of David Shayler who worked for about eight years for mi5 at the counterterrorism desk you know he came out and he violated the Official Secrets Act in the UK to reveal that in 1996 the British government paid one hundred thousand pounds to an hour Qaeda cell in Libya why to conduct a covert operation to assassinate Colonel Qaddafi now is this a controversial

00:28:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=1680s)

Qaddafi now is this a controversial issue no it's not subject to dispute anymore the initial response of the government was to deny Robin Cook who was at that time foreign secretary I believe came out and said this is absolute pure fantasy two months later the British government prosecuted David Shayler for violating for revealing national security secrets and he did his time they actually went to prison for that for him for a while and came out but he's still working now now so we know that this happened so why did we do that we connected ourselves with al-qaeda to pursue this aim and it brings up a whole host of questions I mean what was this al Qaeda saw in Libya the the book called forbidden truth which written by the French the the famous book which was a best-seller written by the French intelligence experts they cited a number of sources revealing that one of the members of this cell was a man called Anas al-libi that Anas al-libi is on the FBI's list of most-wanted terrorist he has several million dollars on his head now this man has been he was he's been indicted as a conspirator in the 1998 US embassy bombings now here we have a US ally the United Kingdom paying him to conduct a covert operation what is going on was there any remark by the United States government you know as to not you know this is was there when he complained no we have nothing on the record about any kind of protest about this even when it came to light a few years later were still the British government was actually allowing this guy to live in the United Kingdom according to the Guardian until the year 2000 he was living in Manchester living it up in Manchester absolutely free most wanted terrorists and nobody did anything about

00:30:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=1800s)

terrorists and nobody did anything about it so this raises a very important question this is simply one isolated example given the pattern of relationships that we are establishing here does this phenomenon happen elsewhere how there been other examples of us using al-qaeda apart from and we know for a fact that we connected with cope with in terms of opera operationally in the Balkans we know that we did this in North Africa in Libya are there any other cases did this have a connection to what happened on 9/11 you know and so this brings us more back this brings us back to 9/11 I don't want to go into too much detail about the other examples in my book I talk about many other issues I talk about Saudi Arabia and the the kind of financial network there in relation to al-qaeda I also talk about Pakistan and the crucial role of the ISI to this day in in in financing in military supporting al Qaeda and the fact that we are allied with with Pakistan and this is compromising completely this you know the stated objectives of the war on terror but I won't go into that we can go straight back to 9/11 how does this impact 9/11 more clearly if we are connecting ourselves with our Qaeda in the pursuit of our interests whatever they are strategic economic or humanitarian even surely this is going to fundamentally undermine uh NASA security because these people are receiving funds the receiving military aid and that aid is fluid al Qaeda is an international network there is a movement across the globe of people of ideology of finances of drugs and of arms and if we are constantly inputting into this then how can we be fighting this war on terror it fundamentally questions challenges the war on terror as an entire paradigm so

00:32:06 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=1926s)

what do we do about this it's a big question I think that it's important to call for disclosure we need to have some kind of disclosure on what is going on there needs to be a renewed call for an investigation not just into 911 but into our entire policy we're in relation to the Mujahideen and al-qaeda and I think this pop probably needs to be a new direction for us in terms of doing this and one of the things I talk about in the book is is the need to widen the picture to recognize that this policy is that what happened on 9/11 is a product not just of specific a specific administration such as the Bush administration or a specific group of people or it's not just solely related to the neoconservatives this is something which seems to have been going on for several years and has been common to both the Clinton administration for example and the Bush administration so this is a cross-party problem arguably it is a systemic problem it is something to do with the way the system operates it clearly is bipartisan and so in that respect we need some kind of investigation which is going to look not just at 9/11 but at previous terrorist attacks and at a whole range of foreign policies in relation to different states which have connections to al Qaeda so going back tonight going back to 9/11 why did 9/11 9/11 happen I mean I want to talk about some of the issues in relation to the intelligence failure in relation to in relation to that yesterday what actually happened online I'm the air defense failure I mean is it possible to drop connections between some of these liaisons that we have and

00:34:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=2042s)

some of these liaisons that we have and between those failures well clearly we can draw a direct connection here to the intelligence failure there was clearly very great excuse me a great deal of reluctance to look at these people is it possible for example that the 9/11 hijackers had connections to these kind of leis that we had in different regions we know for example there are many reports that the 9/11 hijackers received some kind of secure access they security clearance to train at various newest - military installations a number of reports to this effect came out in the aftermath of 9/11 one or two months afterwards from the Defense Department them and the US Air Force that people like Mohammed utter site al ghamdi and and many others five to six seven of the hijackers had trained at various US minused military installations this was for oft are subsequently disputed by the same agencies that perhaps these aren't the same people we have lifts of names but the official line was that the biographical data is not necessarily the same well a journalist by the name of Daniel hop seeker who used to work with NBC and PBS he decided to follow this up so what he did he contacted you know the press department of the Air Force and the Department of Defense and he pressed them you know look you're saying that there's this biographical discrepancies here well let's really push this what about Mohammed utter do you have was it was was this guy who you have listed there the same age as Mohammed utter the terrorist and the and the official of the US Air Force was walk' yes it's the

same age so he was like well you know is it dude what about other features I mean does it does he have was his name spoke the same way you're saying that there's difference in in name spellings yes the name has was spelt the same okay can I

00:36:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=2161s)

name has was spelt the same okay can I get in contact with this other Mohammed utter who was trained with you you said that he's living somewhere United States can I contact him just to verify I'm afraid I can't give you that kind of information we need disclosure I think on these issues Senator Bill Nelson was very worried about this he was very worried in particular about about the training that supposedly happened at Penn Oscoda Air Force Base he pushed on ask Roth's office to push the very Livan military agencies to find out about what was going on after months and months awaiting he was finally told by the FBI that they're trying to get through something complicated and difficult and they could neither say yes or no and to date is worth noting that no one officially has made a comment to resolve this issue especially the 9/11 Commission it's just been virtually ignored the most important point I can make on that respect is what hops occur subsequently did was to push the Department of Defense to give her to give an official response and he recorded the statement that was made that I had do not have the authority to tell you who trained at which at which schools which seems to indicate that certainly somebody did train somewhere but we don't know who so again we need to push for disclosure of these issues because it is clearly a national security problem you know if we are allowing these people to train and secure military installations we have a problem for our national security so there are a number of these very direct issues which kind of indicate that if we I mean if we if we look at the implications of this if these people had some kind of connection to the US military or to u.s. intelligence does this explain the failure to obstruct their movements in the United States or the failure to pursue them perhaps it does again I'm not offering a

00:38:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=2280s)

does again I'm not offering a theoretical explanation I don't know they needs to be investigated but clearly there was a problem here now moving on to the issue of of more directly of the intelligence failure did we receive significant warnings of the event did you receive sufficient warning to act on on prior to 9/11 I did a lot of research on this and the conclusion that I came to was that the depiction of this by the administration by the 9/11 Commission as an intelligence failure was simply not justified in my my main arguments with this was not an intelligence failure this was a political failure I try to look using completely open source his public sources which I could trace reliably to US intelligence officials revealing information I tried to trace the number of reports that were received about different issues about methods about targets and about timing to organize them in some coherent fashion and find out what was actually done with them and consistently it seems to be the case that these reports were not just ignored they were taken seriously to give you one kind of concrete example of this there was a German intelligence report in a mainstream German newspaper Frankfurter Zeitung others German I think is is how it's pronounced and the report came a few days after 9/11 and they cited German intelligence officials basically saying that well s Alang Alang which is the international network of satellites across the globe which monitors electronic communications telephone intercepts faxes emails etc etc it monitors everything that a chillon picked up information that first

00:40:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=2401s)

chillon picked up information that first six months and then three months prior to 9/11 we there was we had intelligence that Middle Eastern terrorists were planning to conduct exactly the kind of terrorist operation that caught on 9/11 to hijack civilian airplanes and target and held them as missiles against key symbols of American and Israeli culture and what I found most significant about this report was that it's specified that initials are specified that this information was taken seriously by the US intelligence community and subsequently used to intensify surveillance so the argument that this inferno there was perhaps too much noise and you know therefore we weren't able to kind of make sense of the information or take it or take or consider it credible doesn't stand up it was known that this kind of attack was being planned and it was

known as - taken seriously and clearly operations were done to follow up and to see who was doing this what can we do to prevent it another favorite piece of information that I like to bring out because I think it really kind of highlights the issue is a David shippers now this isn't something new to the book I see discuss a lot of new information in the book but I'll bring this out here because I think it's a very simple piece of information that demonstrates my point and I interviewed David shippers after hearing him David shippers for your information he was the chief investigative counsel who impeached him Bill Clinton and try to impeach Bill Clinton and what basically emerged from one of the radio interviews he did which that brought me on to him was that he he had some contact with FBI agents prior to 9/11 and these agents were basically saying that they had information on some kind

00:42:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=2521s)

that they had information on some kind of attack and they were being blocked and they were approaching him as someone with kind of some kind of standing in the law enforcement community kind of republic respect for what he did to do something about it and use his connections so I interviewed him on the telephone and he said to me that he had several FBI agents some of them from Chicago some of them from elsewhere who basically said to him that they knew that they something was going to happen in lower Manhattan this was in May 2001 the wording they used was the financial arteries of lower Manhattan and they said that they had some specific information that Mohamed utter for example was in their son was in their sights um they had they had some of these people under surveillance and their investigators were being obstructed from Washington I think one of the phrases they used with this there was a short stopping of the flow of information from Washington DC they were very concerned so what did he do about this he said to me that he called John Ashcroft office to try and get them to because obviously this was this this is above the FBI to try and get me apart to do something he spoke to one of the one of the key leaders in coming in Congress I can't number the name and a couple of other officials but he never got any response for example when he tried to get through to John Ashcroft he only got through to an underling in the office and the guy said to him well I'm sorry I'll pass on your message to Ashcroft but these investigations generally start from the top which is kind of a put-down I mean this is this is David shippers he's not a nobody so this was very strange and subsequently Ashcroft never returned the call um but that just gives you an example that this kind of information was clearly available in the community but there was just not the winning 'less in Washington to deal with this at some point a political decision was made by various people to not deal with this specific issue of terrorism on US soil related to

00:44:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=2642s)

issue of terrorism on US soil related to certain people carrying out this kind of project buzzing Kerr attack I don't know why I won't offer a theory again but this is something that is clear and one of the other pieces of information that I use to kind of highlight the extent of of the information received as an electronic intercepts that were made prior to 9/11 again it's interesting to know that one of the elements of the official narrative was that you know after the 1998 US embassy bombings we simply didn't have sufficient surveillance of electronic surveillance of a sama bin Laden because he you know he started to use human messengers and so on and so forth again there was reason to believe that this just isn't the case if I can find the relevant reference it would be helpful but I can't seem to locate it it doesn't matter British intelligence produced a dossier that was quoted by Tony Blair in this dasya as main as this was like the white paper that Colin Powell referred to that never appeared in the United States but made his way to the UK and in this kind of white paper what was this was recited as evidence that bin Laden was involved in 9/11 and among the pieces of evidence that he cited was these electronic intercepts surprisingly over sama bin Laden himself having conversation with various people within Afghanistan within Pakistan and interestingly one of the intercepts had a sama bin Laden warning people to get out of Afghanistan of the of the particular camps and goes on to move out of Pakistan and saying that something is going to happen under tents on I'm sorry no this happened on the 10th September he was given this information and if something's going to happen very soon so we have to move now one of the kind of explanations of this is that has been put forward is that

00:46:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=2760s)

is that has been put forward is that well this information wasn't translated in time to kind of to do something about it now there's reason to believe that this is not a sufficiently good explanation one of the reasons I refer to is a statement that was made by senator orrin hatch on the day of 9/11 the Utah senator is a conservative Republican with wide context in the national security establishment and interestingly on the day of 9/11 he revealed a number of news sources CNN and others that you know the FBI and the CIA have received information from the NSA that we've just picked up members of Osama bin Laden's celebrating the attacks so we have good reason to believe that bin Laden was behind it but the interest in the important point here is that on the morning of 9/11 we had an attack within that within the few hours after that we had people celebrating the attack in the United States that was intercepted by the National Security Agency within a matter of hours this information was trans was intercepted translated and then disseminated to the CIA and the FBI and then furthermore passed on to a member of the public and the senator orrin hatch and was then furthermore passed to the public via the media so that was very fast so the idea that there was simply the logistical ability was not there to do this doesn't doesn't work this was not a structural institutional logistical problem there was this is a political problem the willingness to deal this issue again was not there and I will close the discussion of the intelligence failure with a reference to a respected Journal Jane's intelligence digest is you know a respected British intelligence journal very well-respected in in the intelligence community and for official professionals working in the

00:48:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=2881s)

official professionals working in the intelligence field and their conclusion several months after 9/11 was that there was an abundance of information available to the Bush administration official information available from Russia information available from a number of sources but the Bush administration did not seem to have the political will to push the military into action one of the issues that the journal highlights is that the Bush administration reportedly had a number of opportunities to militarily neutralize Osama bin Laden in in the years prior to 9/11 but there was no willingness to do that and that and and the digest simply questions that consistently stir seems to be this this this lack of interest in following this up with concrete action um so how much was known I will close that point with one quote Newsweek in the weeks after 911 reported twice Pentagon officials had travel plans canceled on 10th September for the next day over security concern this is reported by Newsweek and newzik said if this is the case this is going to become a very big issue on Capitol Hill and it needs to be and it hasn't become an issue at all why did Pentagon officials have some kind of advanced warning or understanding even if it was late that something was going to happen on the day of 9/11 they took preventative measures to protect themselves but nothing was done for the wider public why hasn't hasn't the Commission addressed this issue why isn't the government addressed this issue nobody has addressed this issue so I will close on that point and leave you with that it was very clear the decisions were made at the highest echelon to not deal with this issue why those decisions were made needs to be means to be disclosed in a real

00:50:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=3000s)

be means to be disclosed in a real independent investigation and this is what this this is what we need to call form this is what my book is about essentially thank you very much no fees I was remiss in not introducing myself when I kicked off this event my name is Kyle hence and I'm co-founder of 911 citizens watch with my partner John judge who was here for the town hall meeting the organizational sponsor for this town-hall event of Beyond Downing Street is DC emergency truth convergence and that's a series of events that been hosted here in DC these last few days beginning yesterday in fact with a National Press Club press conference and continued the this morning with a rally at the White House and and furthermore continue here at American University tonight this afternoon and tomorrow and the focus is on seeing how we can come together as concerned citizens to connect the dots see the pattern of deception and work together to bring the truth to light whether we're talking about depleted uranium and the dangers to the troops and the people of Iraq to Guantanamo Abu Grob to the Downing Street memo and the the false pretext for war that

got us to into Iraq to 9/11 and now I'd like to introduce dr. Peter Phillips who will then introduce some other guests here at the town hall meeting dr. Peter Phillips is the director of Project Censored an internationally known media research program that annually dident off' i boast censored stories in the united states the annual research book produced by

00:52:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=3122s)

the annual research book produced by Project Censored is entitled censored the news that didn't make the news dr. peter phillips we have a group and on a panel here today and not everyone is up in front first what we're going to do is accept questions to not these a med for about 15 minutes so that he can expand you can a specific questions so that's the group we have a group of activists with a lot of different opinions about a lot of different issues around 9/11 and political orientations and a variety of things for the questions to mr. a med please no speeches i think i want to say that because we this is our second day now of the 911 emergency truth convergence and it's been very interesting but there's been a lot of lot of speech making and sometimes in opposition to each other we really want to focus on on his work i'll introduce the members of our panel who are here ray mcgovern right to my left is a former CIA analyst and has a chapter in the new book coming out neo conned again and has another chapter called patriotism democracy and common sense which is online at the eisenhower foundation next to him is sonny miller who's executive director of trap rock peace center and in in deerfield massachusetts also joining us today is peter Dale Scott he's professor emeritus English department of drug war and you have u.s. Afghan and Iraq who's right here and dr. Robert Bowman just joined us too so each of those former president candidate and longtime activists each of these people will we'll start out by giving when we move to the town hall session part will give a statement of 5

00:54:03 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=3243s)

session part will give a statement of 5 to 10 minutes and then anyone can respond anyone can speak to issues of beyond Downing Street pass three and we're literally there's 350 meetings a similar to this around the country right now as we speak now we also got news today that barbara Lee from Oakland a Democrat from Oakland has introduced along with 22 other congressional members a House Republican House bill 375 which is a resolution on inquiry on the Downing Street memos which is a real first step to moving in the direction of coming to some of these answers so thank you very much Barbara Lee I have a question for a med the transition from the Cold War to a war on terrorism has served a purpose for continued military expansion and privatization of war Halliburton Carlyle Group Lockheed Martin Northrop Grumman SAIC of all are all benefiting from that and very large ways did the historical link between the CIA al-qaeda and is I this hook this historical interconnectedness served to create the war on terrorism it's pretty clear that I'm the way that the way that we our governments have been operating in relation to al-qaeda has very much created the foundations of a war because unless we had involved ourselves to this degree it's it's the question remains what what would be the power of al-qaeda one of the interesting things that has come to light in the in my research is that al-qaeda is not the conventional depiction of al-qaeda as an international non-state terrorist network it is not correct it's a multi state-sponsored terrorist network that is pretty clear it's sponsored by I mean

00:56:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=3362s)

is pretty clear it's sponsored by I mean we can be frank it's sponsored by Saudi Arabia elements of Saudi Arabia it's sponsored by elements of of the Pakistani ISI is sponsored by elements of the Algerian regime elements of the Philippines and elements of many other governments now you have to excuse me I keep taking cough sweets because I've got a bit of a cold so but um so it seems to me pretty clear that if this kind of state-sponsored network did not exist in this manner or Qaeda would not have the strength the ability the logistics that logistical power to operate in necessarily in the way it does because there is clearly an influx of aid there's an influx of military assistance there's an influx of some kind of this kind of intelligence support so it seems to me that this this probably does make al-qaeda are more sophisticated in fluid organization across

different state boundaries so in that respect it's pretty clear that if we are also involved in this process by a lying ourselves with these states and providing them with assistance then we ultimately are aiding and abetting the same process I mean in a way to give a kind of kind of shoddy example it's like giving a murderer a knife you know that the murderer is going to go and kill somebody and yet you still give them the knife and in that process you almost become complicit in the crime and so it's a very serious thing I mean obviously quantifying the extent to which we have exacerbated this problem is difficult and you have to be careful about that so one can't be sure but I believe that we have it's it's customary in this country to talk about Saudi Arabia as a failing state and

00:58:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=3480s)

Arabia as a failing state and particularly Pakistan is a failing or failed state because there's been a kind of fishin at the top the Saudi royal family has different factions one faction has allied itself clearly without with al-qaeda and we can identify Prince Turkey who was the head of intelligence until mysteriously one week before this event he was fired ISI Musharraf now is identified enemies in ISI starting with the head of ISI and Mahmoud Ahmed who he fired one month after 9/11 and we see in there a problem at the top of these of these states that the one part of the state isn't controlling another my question to you do you ever think of America as possibly another example of a failed or failing State and that certain elements have been doing things which other parts of the state do not know about yeah I think that's a very very interesting analogy and I think it applies across across the board I don't think it's unique to the United States it's very much a phenomenon in the UK it seems clear that there is an element of our government which is which is very used to secrecy is very used to doing things in secret and therefore doing things without any accountability I mean I go on and on I keep going on about the Libya thing with Britain because I mean on the one hand it's a home it's very relevant to me as a British citizen but it really kind of makes so clear the what could be going on behind the scenes of which we the public are just unaware that our government could be paying and al-qaeda cell to do something and we just don't know about this and it's only because some poor guy who name goes to jail who worked in the intelligence services tells us that we know about this and I'm clearly worried that the executive branch in the United States clearly is mob has been operating unaccountably for years and there are these connections

01:00:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=3601s)

years and there are these connections there are these ties there are these there are these kind of this kind of sponsoring of these states which seem to be seem to have a very similar dimension to their policies and this is going on without any kind of accountability so the question is how do we deal with this how do we confront this kind of overarching secrecy and I think this the call for disclosure is very important that the fact that you cannot hide things on the pretense of national security when it is itself undermining national security you know this kind of policy whatever is behind it you know there seems to be some degree deliberation in some quarters a certain degree of complete kind of absolute incompetence in other quarters but clearly the combination of this is undermining our national security systematically over over over a decade or so and if that is the case the pre-six that we cannot reveal this information due to national security collapses in the interests of national security the national security apparatus needs to deconstructed and looked into uninvestigated you're linking all of these stories we're familiar with the the fear that these the lies that have been perpetrated are about legitimizing state repression here in the United States but we haven't noticed I haven't noticed such an incredible similarity of pattern so it seems that you're saying basically that the military's are beefing themselves up and if you've got a bigger threat you've got more juice more money coming in to your system in your various countries that you've studied is there clearly particular corporate interests that are benefiting in Libya for example or elsewhere well going well if we're talking about North Africa will talk about Algeria I mean Algeria there are so many

01:02:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=3720s)

I mean Algeria there are so many American companies for example which are heavily in if I have heavy investments in there I mean we have Exxon Mobil a number of other I think there are six to seven corporations related to oil and gas which have investments there and I have a list here but I can't find because of the mess that I've made of my papers but um so this is that it's very clear that there is a fundamental corporate dimension here and it's the same in Libya I mean now that I mean interestingly after this whole affair with Colonel Qaddafi possibly being assassinated he seems to have got scared and he completely turned around and now again you know we have the whole kind of corporate system the oil and the gas companies moving in Britain as well moving into Libya and and and and making friends with Qaddafi who used to be our arch enemy and and it's the same kind of process again oh now again now we're connecting ourselves with somebody who we we say is a terrorist so this process just goes on and it's very clear that access to resources is a fundamental component objective of the policy that's a very clear thing and that in doing that we are allowing ourselves with people who are undermining our national security and it seems clear to me that this policy is so systematic that policymakers are aware of the consequences of what is happening not necessarily all of them but clearly elements of the policy-making establishment are aware but yet it continues hmm thank you my question is this it seems to me that the 9/11 truth movement sustains to two concepts at the same time one of the concepts of course is that the that al-qaeda masterminded as you put it this 9/11 event and that we allowed it to happen for what I think a lot of us in this room believe are obvious reasons the other concept that we sustained is that we of course directly procured this event now what I would like for yourself

01:04:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=3842s)

event now what I would like for yourself and maybe some others is this evening progresses to zero in one because I'm not sure very much of this has been done it's to zero in on exactly how these two concepts coexist I mean it seems that we all are tend to accept the image of an Osama bin Laden or an al-qaeda that at least think they are carrying out an exercise against the United States at the same time as there's a power structure in place well you say no well I mean it seems to me we certainly entertain that concept okay well but I want to zero in on is this how do how do how does how did the neoconservatives cooperate through or some a bin Laden or al-qaeda how does it happen how does it actually work how does what makes our sama bin Laden for example think but no rads no rads gonna stand down or that there are explosives you know deployed throughout these buildings they don't make them come okay how did you work with it yeah I get a dick and I understand your question it's an interesting question of course it's an important question but I think my approach is slightly different I mean to me this is really almost an academic issue I do have a personal opinion okay I I have it I do have a I have a personal opinion which I'm not going to talk about here I don't see the relevance of me saying will I believe this and I believe that what is important is getting to the facts and the fact is this we have I mean on the one just to say that al Qaeda does not exist is to me a nonsense this doesn't make any sense it is a fact that al Qaeda was created during the Cold War and continues to exist in some form okay we can dispute what form is clear to me that the kind of hierarchical command and control structure is not there doesn't operate in that way which may be conventionally described by our governments clearly it is more kind of anomalous it's more amorphous it's a lot more looser and

01:06:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=3960s)

amorphous it's a lot more looser and decentralized and is conventionally believed there is clearly I mean it draws its legitimacy from Islam not that I would say it has any legitimacy in Islam in doing so is Osama bin Laden clearly has a spiritual kind of figurehead status and therefore you can see it a reasonable kind of story so there's al Qaeda does seem to exist in some form and we do consistently Ally ourselves with al Qaeda in many different ways in these ways now the question of the this is an important question of do I you a conspiracy theorist who are you a let it happen theorist or are you a incompetence theorist or are you a you know I'm not interested so much in the theory you know I think the theory is important in one level and we can discuss that but the important thing is that we have certain procedures in place to do things in a normal way we have laws which prevent us from doing things in another way now on 9/11 and before 9/11 did we

fail to protect American lives did we effectively you know render our existing system inoperative in some way my argument is yes we did we fail the government failed us the British government failed me recently I'm Tony Blair has said we don't want to have an inquiry into this because we have to find the roots of terrorism well I'm sorry but if we'd we up with we don't know why we fail to protect ourselves what is the point in going on with this war invading Iraq and killing a hundred thousand civilians it doesn't make any sense we start at home you know we have to start at home this is my point and I really believe the 9/11 movement has to get its socks up on this issue you know people complaining that only no I don't believe you know you don't believe that there was a no plane at the Pentagon I'm sorry you're a traitor or I you know I believe this and no why are we discussing these issues

01:08:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4080s)

no why are we discussing these issues you know it's legitimate to hold your opinion it's legitimate to have these discussions and these debates and I think anything is open to discussion but this is what we agree on you know whether you're a conspiracy theorist supposedly or a coincidence theorist we can unite on this point that clearly the government failed the government failed us and we need to understand we need to have a disclosure we need to have an investigation on to why they failed and these people who failed us need to get out of office because they do not belong there they do not belong that they should be impeached in jail whatever Blaire Bush the whole team they failed us and they they always need to be held accountable that is what counts and that is what we should be calling for just this past week the Indian Prime Minister was here in America and America went against long-standing beliefs to not allow the sale of nuclear weapons or nuclear technologies to countries who do not allow a full and complete inspection of their programs could we in fact with the expansion of American War to mean pre-emptive war to mean we can hit him if we think they're thinking about hitting this and you know it's actually aggression can we now figure that this policy of allowing nuclear polar if eration to the Indian government has a means of a counterbalance East uh DS man is that how they're trying to counterbalance the Hindus against the Islamists your comments on that policy well this is one of the one of the things that worries me is if you look at the wider geopolitics of the war on terror I mean much of the most of the active strategy of the war on terror seemed to have been in place several years before 9/11 I mean one of

01:10:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4200s)

several years before 9/11 I mean one of the most obvious documents that suggests that is the project for the new American Century which is well known and the kind of the layout of the plan to go into Iraq and so on and so forth and this was of course supported and put it for the American essentially of course neoconservative think-tank with ties to members of the Bush administration so Dick Cheney Rumsfeld and so on and so forth so clearly the strategy was there what worries me is that in terms of the specific issue of pre-emptive warfare I mean there are a number of very critical factors here which seem to be instrumental in in driving Western foreign policies among them of course is the issue of resources there are many issues in relation to accessing energy oil gas and there are these issues I believe are being exacerbated by the problem of energy depletion I mean there are a number of studies and numerous studies I think I believe there is a virtual consensus in the oil industry community that oil the world or the the production of world oil has peaked either has peat or will peak within the next few years and how do we know how the American government we know has taken this into account I mean the James Baker Institute for Public Policy was commissioned by Dick Cheney to do a study this was before 9/11 I think in the year 2000 summer of 2000 and in that report there was a lot of discussion of the prob the possibility of a becoming oil crisis due to the problem of world oil production and and interestingly it pinpointed Iraq as a key issue in a key issue to be resolved in relation to this crisis so it's pretty clear that there is an energy problem here in the making on the other hand of course the issue of energy conflict also raises the problem of competing world powers and let's not

01:12:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4322s)

of competing world powers and let's not forget that this is occurring within the context of a system which is plagued by growing ecological and environmental problems we have projections from signed with them scientific community now that within within a decade or so we are going to have very severe problems with climate change I mean just to summarize the issue what we're facing multiple global problems here which are all kind of coalescing and within this this kind of crumbling system we have the United States government the British government the Russian government the Chinese government all of us all of these governments trying to think of strategies by which to maintain and secure their interests within this system and the United States government has come up with this policy of pre-emptive warfare clearly in the in projecting the possibility that there is going to come a time when these issues may at some point coalesce into the possibility of nuclear war I mean we just have to look at the Middle East and and the potential for nuclear Armageddon in the Middle East and the israel-palestine conflict which is very worrying we have to look at North Korea and Iran when Pakistan and these kind of you know this is a very real problem and this is why I believe the United States government has adopted this policy because there is this there is this very Republican I think in terms of the wider 9/11 movement these issues need to be taken into account that 9/11 truth is not just about 9/11 truth it's not just about the United States it's about the entire world and the way in which the trajectory of our policy and the trajectory of the international system today which is fundamentally compromising human life not just now but in within within the next few decades so yeah nephew thank you for your

[01:14:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4441s)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4441s)

yeah nephew thank you for your extraordinary work I'm concerned about your unwillingness or inability to make certain conclusions you mentioned about the CIA like mysteriously the United States government might be making some mistake of supporting al-qaeda I don't know if you're familiar with the three-hour special the power of nightmares from BBC which indicates clearly that the CIA created al-qaeda and continues to support it that's one thing so I appreciate your comments on that but more importantly you indicate that 9/11 was not an intelligence failure but a political failure this is not a political failure abundance of evidence suggests that this was a crime that the United States was absolutely complicit in and and it's it's in - and you say well what can we do well in Los Angeles get what we have done in Los Angeles is we had a citizens grand jury because none of the investigations including the Commission which you sort of act like it's a mystery that they didn't handle certain information it was essentially a whitewash Commission and none of the investigations the Senate the dossier out of England the 9/11 Commission any of these they were committed that none of them challenged the official story of 9/11 none of them were willing to use as their mandate of the creation of any accountability or to establish legal responsibility for anything that happened on 9/11 this is profoundly important and it's we the people that need to reclaim responsibility which is why this gathering and we're I'm thrilled that your book came out the problem here is that we need to to really state very clearly that this was not an accident that happened to us an attack that happened to us it was a crime that happened in the United States of America that we need to be responsible for and it's obvious when you speak about the 19

[01:16:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4560s)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4560s)

it's obvious when you speak about the 19 hijackers that whole thing is a myth what we know about the 19 hijackers is that at least nine of them are still alive that none of their names were on the flight manifest list none of that no evidence of them of their bodies dying yes well my question is you seem to in your first book which was wonderful war on freedom you tend to suggest that the United States government was willing or somehow let 9/11 happen and now you seem to be backpedaling and rather than seeing and it was clearly a pretext for war on the neocon agenda that that was outlined in the project the new American Century you seem to kind of be suggesting man we we have sort of a strange policy that when in fact what we know one last thing is on the Pentagon sure sure at the Pentagon three days prior we have satellite photos showing the trajectory yet the trajectory of whatever the object is that went into the Pentagon with tremendous evidence that this government you know was complicit I get your question is a series of questions yeah okay there's too many questions to do I'll deal with the main one okay the first which is basically have I changed my

position or etc etc Hawaii you know basically my personal position hasn't changed but my tactical position has my tactical position had and the tactic simply is this that why deal with with with conflicting theories when you can deal with facts now when I talk about for example I mean you observed to me this kind of like you know mysterious I've said the Commission mysteriously didn't deal with certain issues well I never used the term mysteriously I said they they didn't which is a clear difference they didn't and I didn't get the opportunity to describe why clearly the Commission was a whitewash absolutely and I really appreciate you coming and clarifying that it wasn't just a

01:18:00 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4680s)

clarifying that it wasn't just a political failure it was a crime yes because if you violate statutory obligation it's a crime you see and the and in if you if you say it this was if you failed in this way it's a crime it's this you know and you can be impeached for doing that now do what you're basically saying is that we need to basically make a position and the position needs to be either that the government let it happen or the government made it happen and what I'm saying is that I'm constant I'm doing something actually very different I'm not dissing I'm not saying what you're saying is wrong I'm what I'm saying is is that we have facts and now you don't have to say I believe the government let it happen because I found that when I go if you go around saying that people and many people automatically turn off and they won't appreciate what you're saying and what I'm saying is that for unity on this issue it's much more important to focus on what we know and to say for example that the Pentagon had information they clearly had information that something was going to happen on 9/11 they've clearly I mean they had precise advance warning that is a thesis of my book they had clear information on on the method they had clear information on the targets they had clear information on the date and of course the question is why did they fail now what I'm doing is asking the question and I'm not giving you an answer because I don't think there is any value in me coming out and saying this is the answer because many people have different interpretations of what happened and I think giving an answer like that can often be divisive and can what I mean the point is we're calling for an investigation why do we need to give an answer before the investigation occurs you see what I'm saying so the point is all I'm saying is we have connected us off with al Qaeda I'm not saying it happened accidentally by all means I don't think it happened accidentally we did not accidentally start connecting ourselves with the Mujahideen in Bosnia or the KLA there

01:20:01 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4801s)

Mujahideen in Bosnia or the KLA there was a very clear policy decision made and it's pretty clear to me that policy makers are aware of the ramifications of this that we are connecting ourselves with these people that this has a direct impact on our national security now I could go further you know but I just don't think tactically it makes sense to go around saying that to go around making a position that we need to adopt this position otherwise you're doing wrong I think that is very detrimental for the movement one specifically when you talk about the hijack you asked about about the 19 are legitimate but we know they're still alive so I'm wondering how come you're not dealing with those facts as well well there's yeah I mean it was one report that I didn't mention I mean that there was number of reports that the BBC said that some of these hijackers seems to be alive and that was just that was just something I didn't mention my focus was on what happened prior to 9/11 with the hijackers in terms of their apparent military training and so on and so forth so that was why I didn't discuss that possibly they think that there are many other blazes I was asked to introduce myself I'm John judge I'm the co-founder of 911 citizens watch and I help Cynthia McKinney organize a briefing yesterday and I gonna spare you my question sake of time we have to quit it was about strategy of tension it's too long to go into google it I just want to support 180 points you made Martin shots in his book history will not absolve us says that the political paralysis in America is due to the fact that we are allowed to believe anything but to know nothing and as long as our history and our current events are a commodity of the national security state and a corporate controlled media we cannot move forward and we will

01:22:02 (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MN8P_Xhu2zc&t=4922s)

we cannot move forward and we will devolve into exactly these kind of debates based on speculation instead of fact this report is worse than the Warren Report at least the Warren Report released eight thousand pages and 26 volumes of its hearings and it's evidence so it could be compared to its faulty conclusions every single footnote of this report relates to a document or an interview that you cannot see that is locked up into the national archives until January 2nd 2009 when President Bush can reverse the decision and keep it longer and that I think should be one of the main focuses as to end this secrecy and release this material released the film's the forensic data the black boxes released the interviews and the records we've done in fo I a through National Security Archive on every single document mentioned and every single one was turned down that is a democratic fight for your own history make it nafeez Masada ComEd is executive director of the Institute for Policy research and development based in Brighton England the war on truth is published by Olive Branch press an imprint of interim

---

END